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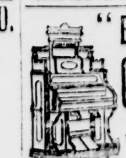
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## TELEGRAPHIC.

(By Special Telegraph.)

WINNIPEG, Dec. 23.

Gladstone has announced his hostility

to the "no-rent" campaign adopted by

Dillon and O'Brien in Ireland.

A number of halfbreeds at Ratchoe

who took part in the rebellion, have for-

warded affidavits to the Dominion Gov-

ernment to the effect that there would

have been no rebellion but for Riel and

the majority of halfbreeds. They agree

that Riel was sane.

Lord Randolph Churchill is reported

to have resigned owing to some disagree-

ment with his colleagues.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 22.

Mayor Beauregard, of Montreal, and

George Oils, of the C. P. R., returned

from a trip to the Pacific coast yester-

day. Oils says the Canadian Pacific are

promoting interprovincial trade, among

other things the shipment of beef from

Calgary to Victoria.

A quantity of war material for the Pa-

cific coast has been shipped via the Ca-

nadian Pacific by the Imperial Govern-

ment, and has passed through Winnipeg.

The Campbell divorce case has been

dismissed, the jury holding there had

been adultery on either side. Costs were

given against Lord Campbell.

Parrell is seriously ill.

The Bulgarian squabble is still unset-

tled.

There is a movement on foot for the

formation of an Art Museum at Ottawa

from contributions of the ladies of Canada,

as a means of celebrating the Queen's

jubilee.

The political campaign is still being

vigorously prosecuted throughout the

Province of Ontario, and both Dominion

and Ontario Ministers are addressing

meetings nightly.

Nominations took place in Ontario yester-

day. There were only three elec-

tions by acclamation—Stewart, Conser-

vative, for Dufferin; and Snider and

Clarke, Liberals, in North Waterloo and

East Wellington.

Montreal is threatened with another

flood.

St. John Kaye is negotiating at Otta-

wa for ten fairs of twenty thousand

acres each, in the Northwest, for model

farms.

Winnipeg Mayorality election is to be

contested.

A Conservative morning paper is short-

ly to be published by the Manitoba

Printing Company. It is said it will be

called the *Western Mail*.

Troubles in Ireland are constant, and

arrests and outrages are of frequent

occurrence. The coroner policy seems

to have been definitely decided upon.

## CHIT-CHAT LOCALS.

Gathered by our Reporters.

O don't wish I had big feet;

That my socks were more than seven.

But Santa Claus I guess I'll cheat—

I'll hang up my mamma's 'leven.

Gold weather.

There will be a Christmas tree in the

St. Catharines church this evening.

Rev. Pere Dommeau spent a few days

visiting Rev. Pere Lacombe last week.

Buy one of McDougall's Christmas

cakes. No Christmas dinner a success

without one.

The nomination of candidates for

Mayor and Councillors takes place next

Monday, and if a poll be demanded the

election takes place on the following

Monday.

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FRIDAY, DEC. 24, 1886.

**A MERRY CHRISTMAS.**

We have much pleasure in again wishing our many readers and the public generally a "Merry Christmas."

**TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.**

As a great many of our country subscribers are in arrears, more for one year and some for more, and as we know money is hard to be got, we desire to inform them that we are prepared to take produce of any kind in payment of subscriptions. To intending country subscribers we extend the same inducements. We therefore trust that our old subscribers as well as many new ones will take advantage of this offer.

**ORGANIZING.**

We this week give a recap of the proceedings of the meeting of friends of the Government that took place in Prince Albert on last Tuesday, for the purpose of organization. It will be seen that it is not the intention of the Conservatives of Saskatchewan to proceed to the nomination of a candidate until branch Conservative Associations have been formed in every settlement, when a convention will be called for that purpose. By this means the most remote settlements will have a voice in the nomination of a candidate, and the election of the gentleman nominated will be assured. Branch Associations will be organized immediately, and as soon after as possible a convention will be held.

**THE TOWN COUNCIL.**

As the term for which the present Council were elected expires with the close of the year, and our citizens will very soon be called upon to select a new council, we trust that the best men possible will be entrusted with the government of the town for the coming year. The present Council have not done so bad but that they might have done a great deal worse. They might, however, have done a great deal better. They have been guilty of sins of omission and commission; but considering the fact that they have indulged in none of those reckless expenditures that have blasted the credit and almost ruined so many places in Manitoba, we have comparatively little to complain of. Whether all the present members will seek re-election we do not know, and we have no desire to influence the people in their course further than to remark that upon them rests the responsibility of making a proper choice. We will, however, say a word for the Acting Mayor, Mr. Gies, who, we understand, is likely to be a candidate for the Mayoralty. He has, without doubt, endeavored to do his best, and he has done fairly well. He has given time to public business he might have spent with more profit behind his counter. Mistakes he may have made, but we feel sure that with the experience he has had, and with four other good men to assist, he would be able to manage municipal affairs next year with credit to himself and the town. We, therefore, hope that he will be our Mayor for 1887.

The first and chief duty of the new Council will be to provide fire protection, not solely because we are liable to be burned out, but because by so doing the cost of insurance will thereby be reduced to the lowest figure. It will be money well invested. Other matters of minor importance have to be attended to, but must be left until the proper season. As for Tax Tenders, it will, in future, exercise the right of criticizing the acts of the Council without fear, or of affection.

**EDITORIAL NOTES.**

The Ontario elections will take place next Tuesday.

Wood & Saunders, of the McLeod Gazette, have dissolved partnership, and the former will in future publish the Gazette and the latter the Lehigh News.

At a meeting of the settlers of Saskatchewan which took place on Monday last, it was, on the second vote, unanimously decided to support a Government candidate for the Commons. The first vote stood two-thirds for the Government and one-third against.

From our despatches it will be seen that Lord Randolph Churchill has resigned owing to some disagreement with his colleagues. What the nature of the disagreement is is not stated, but it is not unlikely that the coercion policy lately put in force in Ireland may have something to do with it.

**NOT MUCH DEMORALIZED.**

**Meeting of Friends of the Government.**

**Formation of a Liberal Conservative Association.**

In response to the advertisement that appeared in our last issue, a large and enthusiastic meeting of supporters of the present administration was held here on Tuesday last for the purpose of forming a Liberal Conservative Association in view of the approaching Dominion election. The meeting was not confined to residents in the town, but was attended by a large number of representative men from all the outside districts with in reasonable distance of the town, and the unanimity and heartiness displayed by all present may be safely taken as an index of the zeal with which they will engage in the coming contest.

On the motion of Capt. Craig, seconded by Mr. T. N. Campbell, Dr. Bitts was called to the chair and addressed the meeting in a very moderate and exceedingly expressed address. At the outset he showed very clearly that the action of the promoters of the present meeting had been in a manner forced upon them by the opponents of the Government, who had not only formed a Liberal Association, but had actually brought a candidate into the field, thus leaving no choice to the supporters of the Government but either to organize or the contest to be fought. He further showed wherein the country had been well served by the present Government and received much more support than it had got from the present opposition while in power, and he considered it no less than a duty for the electors to show their appreciation of their service. He also stated that he wished it to be clearly understood the object of the meeting was to form a Liberal Conservative Association, but not to make any nomination. This was a matter on which other districts had to be consulted. It was not Prince Albert district alone that was to nominate a candidate. Battledown and other places had to be advised with, and he was glad to be in a position to state that these places willingly recognized our position as a very prominent one in this matter, although they very naturally wished to have a voice in the selection. He further hoped that if we were to have a contest there would not be any bitter display of partyism, but that the utmost good feeling and honorable dealing would characterize the election.

Mr. W. R. Gunn then offered a few appropriate remarks on the necessity of organization by the friends of the Government in view of the election campaign, and moved the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. T. E. Baker, supported by Capt. Craig and Mr. Andrew Spence, and unanimously carried:

"That this meeting considers it advisable to organize for the coming Dominion election, and in view of such fact that we form a Liberal Conservative Association to be called 'The Liberal Conservative Association of P. A.,' to be governed by a President, Vice President, Sec. Treas., and an Executive Committee of five, and that Dr. Bain be elected first President."

Dr. Bain, who was received with acclamation, having briefly thanked the meeting for the honor conferred upon him.

Mr. J. F. Betts, seconded by Mr. G. D. Northcaves, proposed that Mr. T. J. Agnew be appointed Vice President, which, on being put to the meeting, was unanimously carried.

Mr. T. J. Agnew, seconded by Mr. A. A. Porter, proposed the appointment of

Mr. T. N. Campbell as Sec. Treas., which was also unanimously agreed to.

Mr. T. N. Campbell, seconded by Mr. J. F. Betts, proposed the appointment of Messrs. W. R. Gunn, T. E. Baker, J. A. MacDonald, R. J. Patterson and Capt. Craig as Executive Committee, which was also unanimously agreed to.

It was then moved by Mr. Agnew and seconded by Mr. McFadden that committees be formed throughout the outlying settlements, of which the following gentlemen be requested to act as chairmen: For St. Catharines, Capt. Craig; Colistown, H. Halpin; Red Deer Hill, A. Stanger; St. Andrews, A. Spence; Ridge, T. Miller; Peace Settlement, R. Adams; Forks of Road, A. Cameron; Carlton, N. Peterson; McDougall Settlement, Capt. Hogg; A. B. Gunn, G. Goodfellow; Tait Settlement, B. Brewster; Carleton Place, W. F. Myers; Lonsack Settlement, H. Lonsack.

The resolution, after suggestions by Mr. Lonsack, Mr. G. Carter and others, was put to the meeting and carried unanimously. The Secretary was instructed to notify these gentlemen accordingly, and on the suggestion of Messrs. Combes, Betts and Halpin the Executive Committee was empowered to make other appointments in any cases where the parties named were unable to act.

Moved by J. F. Betts, seconded by T. E. Baker, that Messrs. Lonsack, Wignour, J. M. Combes and J. F. Betts form a committee to draft a petition to the Government, asking that the work on the frontier be done to be elected by day labor, and that a copy of the same be submitted to the Executive.

The meeting, which was highly successful and harmonious throughout, was then adjourned, the assembling breaking up with cheers for the Queen, for Sir John Macdonald and for the chairman.

**TOWN COUNCIL.**

The Council met on Monday evening, Dec. 20th.

Present: Acting Mayor Betts, Combs, Bechtelner, Goodfellow and Brown.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

No business of importance was transacted.

The numerous meetings held by the Council during the past year were 41, the Mayor being present at 8, Combs, Brown 32, Betts 31, Bechtelner 37, Goodfellow 32, Combs Goodfellow, who was elected to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Council, Tait, missed but one meeting of the Council.

**CARROT RIVER.**

An entertainment consisting of songs and recitations will take place in the school house on Christmas Eve, under the patronage of the Mutual Improvement Society, the President, Mr. C. L. Levey, presiding. This Society has been in existence some time, and intend having a series of entertainments during the winter.

Bees and more are quite numerous in this vicinity, one Indian having recently killed five of the former and three of the latter. One of the bees yielded three pounds full of fat, equal to over ten gallons.

The school has been closed for the winter season. The average attendance during the summer was ten.

Mr. Robertson, President of the Agricultural Society, recently brought in 68 sheep, two thoroughbred bulls and one thoroughbred hooter. He mentions the Carrot River country as eminently adapted for cattle raising.

The Agricultural Society have made formal application for the \$100 granted in its aid by the Northwest Council. It is expected that it will be sufficient to cover all claims against the Society.

Haney & Henderson arrived from their mine on Monday. They bring specimens of platinum washed out of the ashes of the furnace in which they attempted unsuccessfully to smelt gold last spring. They also bring specimens of gold as large as shot and of sandstone saturated with coal tar or petroleum.—(Dumont Bulletin.)

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HOLIDAY GIFT BOOKS,  
STANDARD POETS IN CLOTH,  
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<b>Undressed do.,</b>	<b>42</b>
<b>Sheeting,</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>Common Lumber,</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Dimension do.,</b>	<b>40</b>

" " Over 15 feet extra

**Lath, 75 cts. per bundle.  
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## CHRISTMAS THOUGHTS.

Though Christian people take issue with one another on points of doctrine and mode of worship, there is one great fact upon which all are agreed: that man's redemption was brought about through a God-Man; that by the instrumentality of Jesus Christ humanity was enabled to rise above mere humanity, clothe itself with the light of faith, and look forward with a reasonable hope of one day sharing in the joys of that blessed future our Creator desired, and still desires, that we all should share.

How comparatively few, however, considering the vast number of Christian people in the world, attach that importance to Christmas to which it is entitled considering the circumstances that gave rise to its commemoration. To show what we mean, let us suppose that Christmas had never come to pass; that we were in the position of the Jews prior to Christmas; that we were still waiting for the promise to be fulfilled. How helpless would we not feel in comparison to our present state. It is true the Jews had faith that a Redeemer would come; but they lived in expectation, they lived in hope, we have realized, or are in a position to realize, the benefits arising from the fulfilment of the promise. But do we? Is there one in a hundred of us boastful Christians, no matter what particular creed we belong to, who ever rise to a true conception of Christmas, or celebrate the day as it should be. We look upon it as a time for amusement—and we admit there is occasion to be joyful; but many of us look upon its advent very much in the same spirit as the bad boy does the advent of a circus or a nigger show. Contrast the way the great majority of us celebrate Christmas with the way in which the Jews celebrated the Feast of the Passover, and we should be made to blush. Contrast our celebration of it with that of the early Christians, and, despite our boasted intelligence, our boasted Christian perfection, the light of faith would seem to burn dimly within us. And even if we go back but a few years, within the recollection of living men, we will not fail to see that Christmas is losing much of that sacred charm it possessed in days gone by. How many Christians—and they would not like to be called anything else—when we hear saying now-a-days, "Christmas day is no more to me than any other day; it would make no difference to me if it never came." Now, the man who reflects—the Christian man, we mean—will see that it makes, or should make, a great difference, despite his probable boast to the contrary. Yes, it makes a great difference, else many, many, many of us have been sadly duped. To say that Christmas is no more than any other day is to deny the importance, belittle the labours, to call in question the wisdom of God, and deny the necessity of the most sublime of miracles. It is to help the unbeliever to propagate his doctrine of unbelief; to play into the hands of the Infidel, the man who believes that after death comes darkness. To just such indifference as this on the part of many Christians is due in a great measure the spread of Infidelity. Too many of us are anything but what we claim to be, and the Infidel is not slow to take advantage of it, his natural conclusion being, "If such people are Christians I am better as I am—if I am not a Christian, I am, at least, not a hypocrite."

In saying this much we wish it understood that we are not looking through the spectacles of any particular creed, nor do we wish it understood that we are preaching a sermon to a people any one of whom is more deserving of a gentle admonition than we are. We are only putting in our feeble plea in defence of the proper celebration of the Christmas. We do not say, of course, that all Christians, or any, for that matter, should wear a face as long as the moral law on Christmas day—that there should be no joy among the children of Adam; but we simply refer to the necessity of we Christians clothing Christmas with something like that sacredness that it was intended we should, and, above all things, of showing by example that we believe that but for Christmas we would still be living in hope instead of being in a position to realize, if we so desire, all the benefits to be derived from the birth and labours of the God-man.

But it is a pleasure to know that notwithstanding the apparent indifference of many, there are are others again who look upon Christmas with the same faith and reverence that characterized the early Christians, and that in many a

household the simple and affecting tale is told of how

In the far distant Holy Land,  
Hard by the Eden's sacred tide,  
Adam took for in at God's command,  
And Eve was given him for his bride.  
And this the promise to them made,  
That if they would God's law obey,  
Only joy would Eden pervade.  
And sin and sorrow know no day.  
But that they sinned before God's eyes,  
And heaven was to them denied  
Until the portals of the skies  
Were opened to the Crucified.  
Oh how for many hundred years,  
From Adam until Herod's time,  
Through many lives through captive tears,  
God's people suffered for their crime.  
Their only solace, only strength,  
In those dark days the pledge Divine  
That a Saviour would come at length—  
A King of Israel's line;  
Of how a humble virgin was  
Chosen by the Most High to be  
The mother of His august Son,  
Seed of the Most Holy Trinity.  
And while some shepherds in the night  
Kept watch they heard the noise of  
wings,  
When, lo! an angel wondrous bright  
Announced to them the glad tidings  
That a Saviour that night was born  
In Bethlehem, and joyful, they  
Left their flocks on that blessed morn  
And to that city went their way.  
And as the gold on-tinted rays  
Of the sun shone all about the sky  
On this the day of happy days,  
Unto Bethlehem on they drew,  
And entering the ancient city,  
They sought for the Saviour unknown,  
But they found him not in a palace.  
They found him not on a throne;  
But they found him laid in a manger.  
And they fell down the child before,  
And they kissed the feet of the stranger,  
And praised the God we adore;  
How the Wise Men went by the way,  
And each spoke of a beautiful star  
They had seen by night and by day,  
And followed from lands afar.  
And together they journeyed on  
Guided by its wonderful light,  
Until, reaching Jerusalem,  
Lo, it vanished from their sight.  
And approaching Herod's palace  
They ask, "Where's He who is born King  
Of the Jews, for we've seen His star  
And have come here to adore him."  
How Herod, who was filled with fear,  
Lest of his crown he should be shorn,  
Summoned his Scribes that he might hear  
Where the Saviour was to be born.  
That he also might them depart  
And to him a new-offering make—  
Though he had vowed within his heart  
The fate of the Saviour to take.  
How when the Wise Men journeyed on  
Again the star before them went,  
And led them to the stable where  
Mary over her God-child bent.  
And falling down they adored Him  
As the King the Prophets foretold,  
And laid rich gifts before Him  
Of frankincense, myrrh and gold.  
Then, full of joy, they backward turned  
Each to his home by another path,  
For they from angel lips had heard  
Of Herod's jealousy and wrath.

That Herod, when they returned not,  
Would send soldiers to slay all  
The male infants of Bethlehem,  
That thus the new-born King might fall.  
But, vain are the schemes of Kings  
To thwart the Almighty's will,  
And so it came that Bethlehem's babes  
But the child of Mary lives still.  
And in Nazareth city He dwells  
When Herod has passed away,  
In beauty and grace He exalts,  
In wisdom increases each day.  
How He heard the Gospel of Peace  
And perished on Calvary's height,  
How He rose from the grave and posed  
To heaven in a flood of light.  
And many eyes are filled with tears,  
As they learn of the love for them  
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## TERRITORIAL NEWS.

## EDMONTON.

The *Bull-Tin*, Nov. 27, says:—  
A public school has been organized at  
Victoria and a teacher engaged.

Supt. Herchmer and Judge Bailean  
left for Calgary to-day.

The candidature of Mr. Hardisty for  
the Commons is being favourably  
received in Calgary.

Dr. Wilson, M.N.W.C., and bride  
arrived from Regina on Thursday evening.

F. Provost has been awarded the  
contract by the St. Albert Mission of getting  
out 200,000 feet of sawlogs from their  
lump near Egg lake and delivering to the  
Sturgeon mill.

Inspector Bradley and twenty men  
are expected to arrive shortly to reinforce  
G division of police.

John C. Nelson and party, employed  
surveying Indian reserves in the  
vicinity of Victoria this summer, left there  
for Calgary on the 16th inst.

Winter set in on Saturday last, and  
the weather was quite cold until Mon-  
day.

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